

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for detecting adversarial activity on a network, comprising:

a memory configured to store a host table;

a key exchanger configured to repeatedly derive a cipher key such that the resulting cipher key changes over time;

a translator configured to restore predetermined portions of packet header information of a data packet according to a cipher algorithm keyed by the cipher key, wherein the predetermined portions include a previously translated address, the previously translated address being restored into ~~the an~~ an address from which the previously translated address was translated;

a mapping device configured to map the address to the host table;

a host resolution device configured to issue a request to the network to resolve the address when the address does not match an entry in the host table and to supplement the host table with the address upon receipt of a reply to the request that indicates that the address is valid; and

an actuator configured to trigger a security device when the address does not match an entry in the host table.

2. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the security device is a logging device configured to log the data packet.

3. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the security device is configured to signal an alarm when triggered.

4. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein said host resolution device is configured to derive the host table using an address resolution protocol.

5. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, further comprising:
a network device configured to place the data packet onto a network when the address maps to the host table.
6. (Currently Amended) A method for detecting adversarial activity on a network, comprising:
storing a host table;
repeatedly deriving a cipher key such that the resulting cipher key changes over time;
restoring predetermined portions of packet header information of a data packet according to a cipher algorithm keyed by the cipher key, wherein the predetermined portions include a previously translated address, the previously translated address being restored into ~~the~~ an address from which the previously translated address was translated;
mapping the address to the host table;
issuing a request to the network to resolve the address when the address does not match an entry in the host table and supplementing the host table with the address upon receipt of a reply to the request that indicates that the address is valid; and
triggering a security device when the address does not match an entry in the host table.
7. (Original) A method as set forth in Claim 6, further comprising:
logging the data packet when the address does not match an entry in the host table.
8. (Original) A method as set forth in Claim 6, further comprising:
signaling an alarm when the security device is triggered.
9. (Previously Presented) A method as set forth in Claim 6, further comprising:
deriving the host table using an address resolution protocol.
10. (Original) A method as set forth in Claim 6, further comprising:

placing the data packet onto a network when the address maps to the host table.

11. (Currently Amended) A device for detecting adversarial activity on a network, comprising:

means for storing a host table;

means for repeatedly deriving a cipher key such that the resulting cipher key changes over time;

means for restoring predetermined portions of packet header information of a data packet according to a cipher algorithm keyed by the cipher key, wherein the predetermined portions include a previously translated address, the previously translated address being restored into ~~the~~ an address from which the previously translated address was translated;

means for mapping the address to the host table;

means for issuing a request to the network to resolve the address when the address does not match an entry in the host table and supplementing the host table with the address upon receipt of a reply to the request that indicates that the address is valid; and

means for triggering a security device when the address does not match an entry in the host table.

12. (Original) A device as set forth in Claim 11, further comprising:

means for logging the data packet when the address does not match an entry in the host table.

13. (Original) A device as set forth in Claim 11, further comprising:

means for signaling an alarm when the security device is triggered.

14. (Previously Presented) A device as set forth in Claim 11, further comprising: means for deriving the host table using an address resolution protocol.

15. (Original) A device as set forth in Claim 11, further comprising:

means for placing the data packet onto a network when the address maps to the host table.

16. (Currently Amended) A bastion host adapted for processing packet header information of a data packet, the bastion host being operable to:
store a host table;
repeatedly derive a cipher key such that the resulting cipher key changes over time;
restore predetermined portions of packet header information of a data packet according to a cipher algorithm keyed by the cipher key, wherein the predetermined portions include a previously translated address, the previously translated address being restored into ~~the~~ an address from which the previously translated address was translated;

map the address to the host table;
issuing a request to the network to resolve the address when the address does not match an entry in the host table and supplement the host table with the address upon receipt of a reply to the request that indicates that the address is valid; and
trigger a security device when the address does not match an entry in the host table.

17. (Original) The bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, the bastion host being further operable to log the data packet when the address does not match an entry in the host table.

18. (Original) The bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, the bastion host being further operable to signal an alarm when the security device is triggered.

19. (Previously Presented) The bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, the bastion host being further operable to derive the host table using an address resolution protocol.

20. (Original) The bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, the bastion host being further operable to place the data packet onto a network when the address maps to the host table.

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25. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the address includes a network portion and an apparatus portion, the apparatus portion of the address having been translated without the network portion also being translated, and wherein said translator is configured to restore the apparatus portion of the address without also restoring the network portion of the address.

26. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the data packet includes a translated packet header with a plurality of fields carrying packet header information, the translated packet header including the translated packet header information in one or more predetermined fields of the translated packet header interspersed with un-translated packet header information in fields other than the one or more fields of the translated packet header, and wherein said translator is configured to restore at least a portion of the packet header information in the one or more predetermined fields.

27. (Previously Presented) A method as set forth in Claim 6, wherein the address includes a network portion and an apparatus portion, the apparatus portion of the address having been translated without the network portion also being translated, and wherein restoring predetermined portions of packet header information includes restoring the apparatus portion of the address without also restoring the network portion of the address.

28. (Previously Presented) A method as set forth in Claim 6, wherein the data packet includes a translated packet header with a plurality of fields carrying packet header information, the translated packet header including the translated packet header information in one or more predetermined fields of the translated packet header interspersed with un-translated packet header information in fields other than the one or more fields of the translated packet header, and wherein restoring predetermined portions of packet header information comprises:

restoring at least a portion of the packet header information in the one or more predetermined fields.

29. (Previously Presented) A device as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the address includes a network portion and an apparatus portion, the apparatus portion of the address having been translated without the network portion also being translated, and wherein said means for translating predetermined portions of packet header information is configured to restore the apparatus portion of the address without also restore the network portion of the address.

30. (Previously Presented) A device as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the data packet includes a translated packet header with a plurality of fields carrying packet header information, the translated packet header including the translated packet header information in one or more predetermined fields of the translated packet header interspersed with un-translated packet header information in fields other than the one or more fields of the translated packet header, and wherein said means for restoring predetermined portions of packet header information is configured to restore at least a portion of the packet header information in the one or more predetermined fields.

31. (Previously Presented) A bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, wherein the address includes a network portion and an apparatus portion, the apparatus portion of the address having been translated without the network portion also being translated, and wherein the bastion host is operable to restore predetermined portions of packet header information including restoring the apparatus portion of the address without also restoring the network portion of the address.

32. (Previously Presented) A bastion host as set forth in Claim 16, wherein the data packet includes a translated packet header with a plurality of fields carrying packet header information, the translated packet header including the translated packet header information in one or more predetermined fields of the translated packet header interspersed with un-translated packet header information in fields other than the one or more fields of the translated packet header, and

wherein the bastion host is operable to restore predetermined portions of packet header information including:

restoring at least a portion of the packet header information in the one or more predetermined fields of the header.